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(b) whether there is any provision to increase the above discharge through the existing sluices;

(c) whether there is any possibility of providing additional sluices for the High-level Canal; and

(d) if so, what will be the approximate cost?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (a) One sluice with 10 vents of 6 feet by 12 feet with their sills at plus 1,585·00. It is designed to discharge 4,000 cusecs with a head of 1 foot. With a greater head, the discharge will be more.

" (b) There is no need. When the reservoir level is above plus 1,600·00 the sluices can, if required, pass more than 8,000 cusecs.

" (c) No. The present sluices are sufficiently large to discharge any reasonable quantity that is likely to be required for the High-level Canal Scheme and to utilize the surplus water that Madras may get in the final allocation.

" (d) This does not arise in view of the answer to clause (c)."

King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam.

* 1078 Q.—SRI M. VEERABHADRAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) what is the amount allotted in the year 1952–53 to the King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam, for supplying diet to the patients;

(b) whether the amount so allotted was spent completely for that purpose;

(c) if not, whether there is any amount left unspent; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) Rs. 2,75,000.

" (b) Yes; an additional amount of Rs. 13,626–6–4 over and above the allotment made for 1952–53 was also spent.

" (c) & (d) Does not arise."

Subsidy for wells for irrigation.

* 1079 Q.—SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal now pending with the Government for granting subsidies for well sinking and for improvement of old wells for purposes of irrigation; and

(b) if so, when it is likely to be granted to the ryots?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) There is no proposal.

" (b) Does not arise."